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Secretary Clinton To Deliver Opening Remarks at the U.S.-Sub-Saharan Africa Trade and Economic Cooperation Forum

On June 14, Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton will deliver opening remarks for the 2012 U.S. AGOA Forum. The AGOA Forum will focus on enhancing infrastructure development in Africa in four ways:

1. Promoting an improved business climate and effective regulation that will encourage private-public partnerships;
2. Increasing regional economic integration through strategic development of regional transportation corridors, regional power pools, and power generation capacity that can be shared across borders;
3. Highlighting opportunities for U.S. exports in infrastructure-related products and support for U.S. investment; and
4. Encouraging the adaptation of renewable energy and energy efficient products.

The Secretary will also address how these issues fold into the department's overall economic statecraft agenda as the capstone event of Global Economic Statecraft Day on which more than 100 embassies around the world are working to advance U.S. businesses.

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